



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

in re the Application of

Nobukazu KURODA et al. Group Art Unit: 2632

Application No.: 10/736,603 Examiner: T. Nguyen

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For: IC CARD HAVING A MICA FILM FOR STABLE RESONANCE FREQUENCY AND

ENHANCED ANTENNA PROPERTIES

PRELIMINARY STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Preliminary to examination on the merits, and in response the June 17, 2003 Office Action in the parent application (09/615,613), reconsideration of the rejections and allowance of the pending claims are respectfully requested in light of the following remarks.

Personal Interview

Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner contact Applicants' undersigned representative at the telephone number set forth below to conduct a personal interview to discuss the merits of this application prior to issuance of a first Office Action.

Rejection Under 35 U.S.C. §103(a)

The last Office Action in the parent application rejected claims 2-4 (which correspond to instant claims 1-3) under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) over U.S. Patent No. 5,708,419 to Isaacson et al. ("Isaacson") in view of U.S. Patent No. 5,441,334 to Gallo et al. ("Gallo"). Applicants submit that instant claims 1-3 are allowable over Isaacson and Gallo.